GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2803
ANSWERED ON:21.03.2002
REPRESENTATION OF SC/ST AND OBC IN INDIAN INFORMATION SERVICE
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether representation of SCs, STs and OBCs has not reached the levelof 15%, 7.5% and 27% respectively as reserved for them, in Indian Information Service;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the total number of `sanctioned posts` of Indian Information ServiceGroup `A` (including those posts of Indian Information Service which are conferred on officers on promotion to certain grades by this Ministry);

(d) the number of persons belonging to SC, ST, OBC and General categoriesworking against such posts including their respective percentage to such posts as on July 2, 1997 as ascertained as per the instructions contained under para 5 of DOPT O.M. No.36012/2/96-Estt(Res) dated July 2, 1997; and

(e) the fresh vacancies occurred during 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2001 and the number of such vacancies/posts filled by persons from SCs, STs, OBCs and General categories, year-wise ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It has not been possible to reach the required level of reservation for SCs, STsand OBCs due to non-availability of candidates belonging to these categories to the full extent in the consideration zone for promotion and in direct recruitment and also due to non-joining of some candidates belonging to these categories under direct recruitment.

(c) The total number of sanctioned posts of Indian Information Service Group `A` is 492.

(d) Against the sanctioned strength of 492 of IIS Group `A`, 422 officers were inposition as on 2/7/1997. The category-wise break-up of these officers and their percentage to the total sanctioned strength is given below:-

SC	ST	OBC	General
55 (11.17%)	22 (4.47%)	2 (0.4%)	343 (69.71%)

(e) Information regarding the vacancies that occurred in the Junior and SeniorGrades of IIS Group `A`(where reservation is applicable) during the years 1997 to 2001 and the number of such vacancies filled, grade-wise and category-wise, is given in the Annexure.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (e) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.2803 for reply on 21/03/2002.

Year-wise number of vacancies occurred/filled up in Junior and Senior Grades of IIS Group `A`

Junior Grade of IIS Group `A`

Direct Recruitment

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Year	Category-wise number of vacancies and actually filled					
	SC	ST	OBC	General	Total	Remarks
1997	3(3)	-	3(3)	6(6)	12(12)	
1998	1(1)	1(-)	5(4)	8(6)	15(11)	Shortfall is due to non-joining of candidates in the respective categories.
1999	2(2)	1(1)	4(3+1@)	8(8)	15(14+1@)	

@ Yet to join as candidature is provisional

2000	-	1(1@)	2(2)	3(1+2@)	6(3)	

@ Yet to join

2001	-	2@@	3@@	6@@	11 (0)	Communicated to UPSC

@@ Yet to be allocated

Note:- Figures in bracket indicate the vacancies actually filled.

Promotion

Year	No. of vacancies occurred		Filled		
	SC	ST	General	Total	Remarks
1997-98	7	-	-	6	6

No eligible SC candidate was available in the consideration zone/extended zone for one vacancy reserved for SC.

Senior Grade of IIS Group `A`

Year	No. of vacancies occurred Filled				
	SC	ST	General	Total	Remarks
1997-98	6	-	-	5	5 No eligible SC officer was available in the consideration zone/ extended zone for one vacancy reserved for SC.
1998-99	83	7	3	56	66 No additional eligible candidates were available in the consideration zone/ extended zone against the balance 5 vacancies for SCs, 3 vacancies for STs and 9 vacancies for General category.
1999-00	22	-	2	5	7 Only 8 officers were eligible for promotion, out of which, 7 were found fit for promotion.
2000-01	27	2	2	7	11 Out of a total 13 eligible officers, only 11 were found fit for promotion.